

HOUSE BILL 1659

By Lundberg

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55,
Chapter 8, relative to speeding violations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-152(f)(2), is amended by deleting the following language and substituting instead a period ".":

, nor shall any costs be imposed or assessed against the person. Costs shall be imposed in such cases should the person fail to appear or answer the traffic citation as required by law. The conviction shall not be reported to the department of safety under §§ 55-10-306 and 55-12-115. Such person shall not be required to attend driver education course as provided in § 55-10-301. The conviction for speeding shall not result in suspension or revocation of operator's or chauffeur's license unless the excess speed constitutes reckless driving, as set out herein.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-8-152, is further amended by adding the following new subsections:

(i) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, if a person issued a traffic citation or notice of violation for driving in excess of any posted speed limit on any public road or highway fails to pay the citation or notice or fails to appear in court, then court costs, including any statutory fees of officers, and litigation taxes shall be assessed against the person.

(j) Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, a conviction for driving in excess of any posted speed limit on any public road or highway shall not be reported to the department of safety under § 55-10-306, and the person convicted shall not be subject

to driver license suspension or revocation pursuant to § 55-50-502, unless the conviction is for a third or subsequent violation or the excess speed constitutes reckless driving as provided in subsection (d).

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2016, the public welfare requiring it, and shall apply to all offenses occurring on or after such date.